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December 23, the American steamship *Manchuria*, with 264 in crew and 90 cabin and 707 steerage passengers, granted a bill of health for San Francisco. Cargo inspected and manifests viséed. Personnel inspected and passed on board at hour of sailing. December 24, the Norwegian steamship *Solstad*, with 39 in crew, en route from Phnom Penh to Iloilo, granted a supplemental bill of health.

Week ended January 1, 1910. December 26, the Japanese steamship *Otaru Maru*, with 39 in crew, en route from Muke to Zamboanga, Jolo, Parang, and Iligan, granted a supplemental bill of health. December 27, the British steamship *Indrani*, with 58 in crew, granted a bill of health for Boston and New York via Cebu. Cargo inspected and passed and manifests viséed before sailing. No inspection of personnel was made on account of vessel's next port of call being Cebu, where final inspection of personnel will take place.

ILOILO—Inspection of Vessels.

Assistant Surgeon Hurley reports, January 3, through Chief Quarantine Officer Heiser:

Month of December, 1909. Forty-two vessels, having a total of 1,960 in crew and 410 cabin and 590 steerage passengers, were inspected. Of this number 31 vessels were from island ports. Bills of health were issued to 13 vessels. Eleven vessels were fumigated to destroy vermin, and 195 vaccinations were performed.

The port of Iloilo is free from the infection of Asiatic cholera and smallpox.

RUSSIA.

LIBAU—Examination of Emigrants—Smallpox—Plague in Russia.

Acting Assistant Surgeon De Forest reports, February 1:

Week ended January 31. For steamship *Russia*, sailing February 1, 186 passengers and 130 members of crew have been examined. Baggage inspected, 101 pieces.

At Libau 5 cases of smallpox are reported; at Astrakhan 16 cases of plague with 13 deaths.

VENEZUELA.

LA GUAIRA—Inspection of Vessels—Sanitary work.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Kellogg reports, January 30:

Week ended January 29. Vessels inspected: January 24, steamship *Zulia* for New York, with 51 in crew and 4 passengers taken on at this port; January 25, steamship *Normandie* for Colon, with 183 in crew and 55 passengers in transit and 5 taken on at this port; January 26, steamship *Philadelphia* for San Juan, with 63 in crew and 6 passengers taken on at this port.

The report of the bureau of public health at Caracas for the week ended January 29 shows as follows: Houses disinfected, 23; premises on which standing water was treated, 584; houses inspected, 288; dead inspected, 56; rats examined bacteriologically, 48. No plague-infected rats were found.

No quarantinable diseases are reported at La Guaira, Maiquetia, or Puerto Cabello.